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**LOKNETE RAJARAMBAPU PATIL**

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## DEPARTMENT OF DRAVYAGUNA



## SHIVALINGI

**Marathi:**

**Botanical name:**

**Synonyms:**

**Family:**

**Common name:**

**Description:**

Mahadevi

*Bryonia laciniosa*

*Diplocyclos palmatus*

Cucurbitaceae

Lollipop Climber, Marble Vine

Lollipop Climber is a perennial climber with hairless stem, becoming thickened and white dotted on the ridges when older. Leaves are broadly ovate, 3.5-14 x 4-14.5 cm, palmately lobed. Lobes are linear-lance shaped to elliptic, hairless. Leaf stalk is 1.5-9.0 cm long. Flowers are small, white or yellowish, male in stalkless clusters of 2-8, along with 5 female flowers in the same axil. Sepal cup is 3-4 mm long in male, 1.5-2.5 mm long in female, sepals smaller than tube. Flower of male larger than female. Fruit is solitary, or in clusters of 2-5. It is ovoid-round, 1.5-2.5 cm. When ripe, it is red with longitudinal white stripes, and reminds one of lollipop, hence the common name.

**Attributes :**

Rasa- Katu, Tikta, Veepaka- Katu, Virya- Ushna, Guna- Laghu, Ruksha, Tikshna.

**Medicinal uses:**

Shivlingi Beej or seeds are commonly used for the treatment of female infertility. Seeds have anti-inflammatory, anti-fungal, antimicrobial, analgesic, antihyperlipidemic, spermatogenic and antipyretic properties.